

Attention FDA

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It came to my attention that the FDA is being asked to take away my right to sign a medical waiver before purchasing a hearing aid. Instead I would be forced to have a medical exam or hearing test. Here's my views and/or experiences on several related questions?

1. Should I be forced to have a medical exam and/or hearing test before purchasing a hearing aid? If so, should the FDA pay for the exam?

IF I AM NOT FORCED TO HAVE AN EXAM, AND I CHOOSE NOT, FDA WOULD NOT PAY. IF I AM FORCED TO PAY, FDA SHOULD PAY FOR IT.

2. Some people are physically unable to drive to a doctor or hearing specialist, or have had bad experiences they don't want to repeat. For instance ...

FOR THE LAST 12 YRS I HAVE ORDERED AIDS, BATTERIES ETC BY MAIL SUCCESSFULLY.

3. Should the FDA take away my Constitutional Right, affirmed by the Supreme Court, to decide for myself my medical exams and treatment?

NO.

4. Should I be allowed to purchase hearing aids by mail as I choose?

YES

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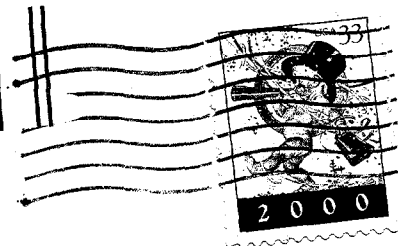
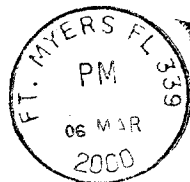
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